GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA

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NORMS OF ASSISTANCE TO A N ISLANDS
Bhakta Shri Manoranjan

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the norms fixed by the Union Government for providing assistance for the planned programmes being implemented in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands;

(b) the date on which these norms were laid down;

(c) whether the Andaman & Nicobar Administration has requested the Union Government to make changes in the said norms;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Union Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) & (b): Plan schemes are introduced from time to time based on felt needs and requirements. They are administered by Union Ministries and Departments and Planning Commission is not their implementing agency. The norms for allocation of funds to implement the plan schemes including those in Andaman & Nicobar Islands are decided by the Ministries and Departments administering the schemes based on the objectives and broad guidelines of the schemes.

(c): No, Sir.

(d) & (e): Does not arise.